

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 have been examined, all of which stand rejected. By the above amendments, claims 1, 4, 9-12, 15 and 20-22 are amended and claims 6-8 and 17-19 are canceled. Thus, claims 1-5, 9-16 and 20-22 are now pending in this application. Favorable reconsideration of the application and allowance of all of the pending claims are respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-5, 8, 1, 12, 13-16 and 19-22 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite. The Office Action further indicates that claims 1 and 12 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome this rejection, as would claims 2-5 and 11 (which depend from claim 1) and claims 13-16 and 20-22 (which depend from claim 12).

In the foregoing claim amendments, claims 1 and 12 are amended to clarify the distinction between the first use of the term “user” that is referred to thereafter (in the independent claims 1 and 12 and their respective dependent claims) as “said user” and “at least one other different user” (that may be one of the plurality of users) and which is referred to thereafter (in the independent claims 1 and 12 and their respective dependent claims) as “said at least one other different user”. In addition, claim 1 is amended at claim line 19 and claim 12 is amended at line 20 to clarify that the personal data for the at least one other different user is *from the received personal data from said plurality of users*. This language is taken from the Examiner’s statement of allowable subject matter at page 5, item 5 of the outstanding Office Action.

As for the dependent claims, claims 2 and 3 remain unamended and dependent on claim 1. Claim 4 is amended per the comments above to be consistent with claim 1. Claim 5 is unamended.

Claims 6-8 are canceled.

Claims 9 and 10 are amended to depend from claim 1.

Claim 11 is amended per the comments above to be consistent with claim 1.

Claims 13 and 14 remain unamended and depend from claim 12.

Claim 15 is amended per the comments above to be consistent with claim 12.

Claim 16 is unamended and depends from claim 12.

Claims 17-19 are canceled.

Claims 20-22 depend from claim 12 and are amended to be consistent with claim 12 per the comments above.

Based on the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the foregoing amendments to the claims overcome the indefiniteness rejection and therefore the present application should be in condition for allowance with claims 1-5, 9-16 and 20-22. However, if for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney to discuss any unresolved issues and to expedite the disposition of the application.

No claim fees are believed to be due. Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time that may be necessary to maintain the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required for the above-identified application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-0460.

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